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INTRODUCTORY NOTE.

Many of the figures contained in this study of the progress of the public schools are not those contained in the State Educational Reports for the several years since 1870. These reports contain many omissions, and do not contain any data for the city schools before 1902. The figures as given for rural schools have been carefully corrected as far as that is now possible. The statistics for city schools have been compiled from data obtained from the local newspapers. This study represents long and patient research. I regret that it is impossible to make all the figures absolutely accurate, but they can all be relied upon to be the nearest approximation that can now be made.

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A. PUBLIC SCHOOL EXPENDITURES 1870-1906.

The following tables give in detail the rural public school expenditures, 1870-1906, as well as the total expenditures of the city schools, 1876-1906. The rural school figures used are from the State reports with all omissions supplied and duplicates carefully eliminated. The figures given as the expenditures of city schools, 1876-1901, have been compiled from newspaper files in the State Library and are careful estimates. All the figures used are approximately correct. It is now impossible to make them absolutely accurate. Prior to 1902 the State reports contained no statistics of city schools.

These tables show the following interesting facts:

1.	Rural school expenditures 1870:	$ 42,856.66.
	Rural school expenditures 1906:	1,480,287.03.
	City school expenditures 1876:	800.00.
	City school expenditures 1906:	810,766.12.
2.	Rural school expenditures 1900:	907,710.97.
	Rural school expenditures 1906:	1,480,287.03.
	Increase in six years:	572,576.06, or 63 per cent.
	City school expenditures 1900:	183,900.00.
	City school expenditures 1906:	810,766.12.
	Increase in six years:	626,866.12, or 340 per cent.
3.	City schools* in 1876:	1.
	City schools in 1906:	78.

*By *city school* is meant a school operating under a special act of the Legislature, usually levying a local tax to supplement its general school fund.

I. SUMMARY OF PUBLIC SCHOOL EXPENDITURES 1870-1906.

Year.	Rural Teaching and Supervision.	Rural Buildings and Supplies.	Rural Administration.	Total Rural Expenditures.	Total City Expenditures.	Total School Expenditures.	Number of Counties.	Number of Towns and Cities.
1870	$ 31,597.15	$ 4,259.51	$ 7,000.00	$ 42,856.66	$----------	$ 42,856.66	90	0
1871	115,493.16	10,446.40	5,000.00	130,939.56	----------	130,939.56	90	0
1872	199,389.18	16,833.30	4,473.15	220,695.63	----------	220,695.63	92	0
1873	159,649.55	25,100.00	6,925.52	191,675.07	----------	191,675.07	93	0
1874	263,116.33	22,676.46	11,802.06	297,594.85	----------	297,594.85	93	0
1875	263,116.33	22,676.46	11,802.06	297,594.85	----------	297,594.85	93	1
1876	319,277.95	14,885.19	----------	334,163.14	800.00	334,963.14	94	1
1877	296,719.12	12,656.55	13,808.66	323,184.33	4,000.00	327,184.33	94	2
1878	310,273.78	13,564.04	18,649.28	342,487.10	5,125.00	347,612.10	94	2
1879	308,663.14	14,806.50	17,061.91	340,531.55	9,300.00	349,831.55	94	2
1880	345,003.70	18,132.11	18,139.68	381,275.49	14,762.00	396,037.49	94	3
1881	371,555.65	29,137.61	41,186.62	441,879.88	19,762.00	461,641.88	96	4
1882	470,664.18	89,654.84	43,812.00	604,131.02	34,012.00	638,143.02	96	7
1883	569,517.79	96,096.66	55,479.50	721,093.95	35,225.00	756,318.95	96	7
1884	512,531.40	84,826.43	43,446.73	640,804.56	42,225.00	683,029.56	96	7
1885	540,863.75	66,256.33	42,969.82	650,089.90	43,780.00	693,869.90	96	8
1886	566,028.89	87,841.07	42,245.69	696,115.65	44,670.00	740,785.65	96	8
1887	531,775.78	74,724.90	46,536.65	653,037.33	58,200.00	711,237.33	96	10
1888	564,491.85	66,869.23	59,827.09	691,188.17	61,500.00	752,688.17	96	10
1889	438,784.07	51,626.04	36,449.06	526,859.17	64,380.00	591,239.17	96	10
1890	574,746.83	73,619.93	69,858.84	718,225.60	68,920.00	787,145.60	96	10
1891	547,506.78	63,626.15	44,251.78	655,384.71	92,000.00	747,384.71	96	16
1892	602,938.45	79,803.86	51,276.52	734,018.83	98,680.00	832,698.83	96	16
1893	649,168.20	64,991.32	61,943.58	776,103.10	104,230.00	880,333.10	96	16
1894	662,299.87	56,291.90	68,891.94	787,483.71	110,100.00	897,583.71	96	16
1895	698,401.14	63,853.67	66,395.75	828,650.56	115,000.00	943,650.56	96	16
1896	712,341.05	56,672.26	63,173.59	832,186.90	119,000.00	951,186.90	96	16
1897	699,811.18	48,571.24	70,356.55	818,738.97	130,200.00	948,938.97	96	18
1898	774,222.48	54,840.62	80,044.35	909,107.45	135,800.00	1,044,907.45	96	18
1899	759,508.92	57,400.62	69,894.17	886,803.71	175,500.00	1,062,303.71	96	27
1900	788,115.69	41,611.54	77,983.74	907,710.97	183,900.00	1,091,610.97	97	27
1901	865,086.21	56,207.60	96,863.53	1,018,157.34	230,000.00	1,248,157.34	97	42
1902	980,047.64	89,544.23	126,569.67	1,196,161.44	240,000.00	1,436,161.44	97	42
1903	1,023,449.34	140,146.60	129,751.95	1,293,347.89	290,000.00	1,583,347.89	97	64
1904	1,055,904.21	185,336.38	150,054.74	1,391,295.33	375,000.00	1,766,295.33	97	64
1905	1,051,799.47	273,884.73	100,908.34	1,426,552.54	529,224.36	1,955,776.90	97	64
1906	1,091,033.55	282,994.88	106,258.60	1,480,287.03	810,766.12	2,291,053.15	97	78

II. RURAL SCHOOL EXPENDITURES FOR TEACHING AND SUPERVISION, IN DETAIL, 1870-1906.

Year.	Total Rural Expenditures.	Spent for Rural White Teachers.	Spent for Rural Colored Teachers.	Spent for County Superintendents.	Total Spent for Supervision and Rural Teaching.
1870	$ 42,856.66	$ 19,064.77	$ 9,532.38	$ 3,000.00	$ 31,597.15
1871	130,939.56	74,000.00	40,000.00	1,493.16	115,493.16
1872	220,695.63	143,722.70	54,512.28	1,154.20	199,389.18
1873	191,675.07	112,175.36	45,954.19	1,520.00	159,649.55
1874	297,594.85	182,646.53	77,615.25	2,854.55	263,116.33
1875	297,594.85	182,646.53	77,615.25	2,854.55	263,116.33
1876	334,163.14	200,833.95	118,444.00	----------	319,277.95
1877	323,184.33	188,962.94	105,000.93	2,755.25	296,719.12
1878	342,487.10	199,222.86	109,770.12	1,280.80	310,273.78
1879	340,531.55	190,867.65	115,651.73	2,143.76	308,663.14
1880	381,275.49	215,856.24	127,092.91	2,054.55	345,003.70
1881	441,879.81	224,060.24	140,651.36	6,844.05	371,555.65
1882	604,131.02	307,128.33	141,681.85	21,854.00	470,664.18
1883	721,093.95	303,726.24	249,047.29	16,744.26	569,517.79
1884	640,804.56	317,021.41	182,414.79	13,095.20	512,531.40
1885	650,089.90	326,142.90	202,004.37	12,716.48	540,863.75
1886	696,115.65	349,037.52	198,059.63	18,931.74	566,028.89
1887	653,037.33	329,978.63	185,309.51	16,487.64	531,775.78
1888	691,188.17	359,707.30	187,985.87	16,798.68	564,491.85
1889	526,859.17	283,665.74	143,106.94	12,011.39	438,784.07
1890	718,225.60	366,737.23	189,246.82	18,762.78	574,746.83
1891	655,384.71	355,317.16	175,326.33	16,863.29	547,506.78
1892	734,018.83	390,325.82	193,496.98	19,115.65	602,938.45
1893	776,103.10	423,164.28	205,348.51	20,655.41	649,168.20
1894	787,483.71	436,898.03	205,764.45	19,637.39	662,299.87
1895	828,650.56	457,517.28	218,896.72	21,987.14	698,401.14
1896	832,186.90	469,109.59	242,432.42	799.04	712,341.05
1897	818,738.97	465,474.84	234,195.27	141.07	699,811.18
1898	909,107.45	520,955.43	231,533.97	21,733.08	774,222.48
1899	886,803.71	520,415.00	217,918.67	21,175.25	759,508.92
1900	907,710.97	547,192.39	219,001.56	21,921.74	788,115.69
1901	1,018,157.34	621,927.97	219,561.39	23,596.85	865,086.21
1902	1,196,161.44	707,184.94	238,378.87	34,483.83	980,047.64
1903	1,293,347.89	741,751.45	241,845.44	39,852.45	1,023,449.34
1904	1,391,295.33	771,716.72	234,925.59	49,261.90	1,055,904.21
1905	1,426,552.54	783,823.42	214,951.91	53,024.14	1,051,799.47
1906	1,480,317.03	821,552.69	212,293.85	57,187.01	1,091,033.55

III. RURAL SCHOOL EXPENDITURES FOR BUILDINGS AND SUPPLIES, IN DETAIL, 1870-1906.

Year.	Houses for Whites.	Houses for Colored.	Fuel, etc.	Furniture.	Libraries.	Supplies.	Insurance and Rent.	Interest, etc.	Total for Buildings and Supplies.
1870	$----------	$----------	$----------	$----------	$----------	$----------	$----------	$----------	$4,259.51
1871	7,000.00	3,446.40	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	10,446.40
1872	11,222.20	5,611.10	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	16,833.30
1873	16,733.34	8,366.66	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	25,100.00
1874	15,117.64	7,558.82	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	22,676.46
1875	15,117.64	7,558.82	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	22,676.46
1876	9,885.19	5,000.00	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	14,885.19
1877	7,897.87	4,758.68	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	12,656.55
1878	9,387.57	4,176.47	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	13,564.04
1879	9,599.43	5,207.07	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	14,806.50
1880	11,137.08	6,995.03	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	18,132.11
1881	16,696.35	12,441.26	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	29,137.61
1882	49,428.09	40,226.75	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	89,654.84
1883	46,908.67	49,187.99	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	96,096.66
1884	46,335.95	38,490.48	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	84,826.43
1885	38,627.91	27,628.42	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	66,256.33
1886	59,194.96	28,646.11	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	87,841.07
1887	51,598.48	23,126.42	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	74,724.90
1888	41,862.52	25,006.71	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	66,869.23
1889	34,599.98	17,026.06	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	51,626.04
1890	52,165.34	21,454.59	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	73,619.93
1891	46,288.63	17,337.52	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	63,626.15
1892	58,711.21	21,092.65	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	79,803.86
1893	46,473.52	18,517.80	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	64,991.32
1894	37,950.58	18,341.32	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	56,291.90
1895	44,483.09	19,370.58	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	63,853.67
1896	35,757.86	20,914.40	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	56,672.26
1897	31,563.63	17,007.61	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	48,571.24
1898	42,523.34	12,317.28	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	54,840.62
1899	42,237.58	15,163.04	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	57,400.62
1900	31,917.96	9,693.58	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	41,611.54
1901	43,514.26	12,693.34	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	56,207.60
1902	77,269.68	12,274.55	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	89,544.23
1903	125,570.87	14,575.73	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	140,146.60
1904	169,657.59	10,221.79	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	5,457.00	185,336.38
1905	179,865.35	17,825.64	17,524.11	16,235.06	8,391.35	14,585.31	4,042.76	15,375.15	273,884.73
1906	163,711.86	14,618.80	20,446.29	31,583.27	11,176.16	13,117.73	4,443.48	23,897.29	282,994.88

IV. RURAL SCHOOL EXPENDITURES FOR ADMINISTRATION, IN DETAIL, 1870-1906.

Year.	Treasurer.	Board of Education.	Expenses Board of Education.	Census.	All Other Expenses.	Total for Administration.
1870	$	$	$	$	$	$ 7,000.00
1871						5,000.00
1872	4,473.15					4,473.15
1873	6,925.52					6,925.52
1874	11,802.06					11,802.06
1875	11,802.06					11,802.06
1876						
1877	10,070.86				3,737.80	13,808.66
1878	10,615.34	2,366.78			5,667.16	18,649.28
1879	11,088.48	2,493.13	494.45		2,985.85	17,061.91
1880	12,298.36	2,659.64	721.40		2,460.28	18,139.68
1881	15,670.97	2,894.22			22,621.43	41,186.62
1882	17,836.21	3,026.15			22,949.64	43,812.00
1883	22,430.39	2,795.28			30,253.83	55,479.50
1884	21,630.23	3,228.00			18,558.50	43,446.73
1885	16,852.48	3,710.28	456.68		21,950.38	42,969.82
1886	17,748.72	6,378.83	893.20		17,224.94	42,245.69
1887	16,239.67	6,889.30	1,062.68		22,345.00	46,536.65
1888	17,609.95	6,541.81	1,346.06		34,329.27	59,827.09
1889	13,448.01	4,995.14	898.44		17,107.47	36,449.06
1890	14,171.70	7,543.34	2,367.55		45,776.25	69,858.84
1891	12,483.74	6,068.00	2,068.93		23,631.11	44,251.78
1892	14,596.48	4,756.65	1,812.36		30,111.03	51,276.52
1893	15,135.14	5,594.18	1,611.47		39,602.79	61,943.58
1894	15,977.70	4,982.38	1,958.75		45,973.11	68,891.94
1895	16,376.42	6,159.80	2,077.04		41,782.49	66,395.75
1896	16,448.12	3,843.17	2,811.82		40,070.48	63,173.59
1897	17.269.77	3,217.62	2,976.26		46,892.90	70,356.55
1898	18,371.05	5,976.03	3,963.61		51,733.66	80,044.35
1899	18,444.21	6,477.21	1,991.91		42,980.84	69,894.17
1900	19,636.49	5,627.01	3,967.72		48,752.52	77,983.74
1901	22,589.76	5,728.47	2,949.62		65,595.68	96,863.53
1902	24,303.76	9,738.30	7,424.37	8,488.62	76,614.52	126,569.57
1903	26,461.14	9,464.33	6,283.37	8,516.63	79,026.48	129,751.95
1904	29,425.66	10,052.39	8,316.22	8,790.89	93,469.58	150,054.74
1905	29,153.07	9,223.48	7,828.02	9,476.06	45,227.71	100,908.34
1906	29,989.38	8,956.03	3,433.53	12,051.45	18,415.22	*106,258.60

*The sum of $33,412.99 was reported this year as errors in charging taxes, borrowed money, etc.

B. PUBLIC SCHOOL ATTENDANCE 1870-1906.

The following tables give the school population and the public school enrollment, 1870-1906, also the average daily attendance for certain years. The figures used have been compiled from the Census of the United States, State Reports, and newspaper files. The figures have been corrected by the elimination of duplicates and the addition of omissions in the reports of certain years. Each table has an explanation showing how the figures have been obtained.

V. RURAL AND CITY SCHOOL POPULATION AND ENROLLMENT BASED ON U. S. CENSUS 1870-1906. (SCHOOL AGE, 6-21 YEARS).

Year.	White School Population.	Colored School Population.	Total.	White Enrollment.	Colored Enrollment.	Total Enrollment.	Percentage of Population Enrolled.
1870	243,463	141,155	384,618	27,942	13,970	41,912	.11
1871	248,985	147,421	396,406	41,274	22,089	63,363	.16
1872	254,507	153,687	408,194	54,606	30,208	84,814	.21
1873	260,029	159,953	419,982	67,938	38,327	106,265	.25
1874	265,551	166,219	431,770	81,270	46,446	127,716	.30
1875	271,073	172,485	443,558	94,602	54,565	149,167	.34
1876	276,595	178,751	455,346	107,934	62,684	170,618	.38
1877	282,117	185,017	467,134	121,266	70,803	192,069	.41
1878	287,639	191,283	478,922	134,598	78,922	213,520	.45
1879	293,161	197,549	490,710	147,930	87,041	234,971	.48
1880	298,687	203,820	502,507	161,262	95,160	256,422	.51
1881	307,980	207,029	515,008	166,020	97,346	263,366	.51
1882	317,273	210,238	527,511	170,778	99,532	270,310	.51
1883	326,566	213,447	540,013	175,536	101,718	277,254	.51
1884	335,859	216,656	552,515	180,294	103,904	284,198	.51
1885	345,152	219,865	565,017	185,052	106,090	291,142	.52
1886	354,445	223,074	577,519	189,810	108,276	298,086	.52
1887	363,738	226,283	590,021	194,568	110,462	305,028	.52
1888	373,031	229,492	602,523	199,326	112,648	311,974	.52
1889	382,324	232,701	615,025	204,084	114,834	318,918	.52
1890	391,623	235,911	627,534	208,844	117,017	325,861	.52
1891	397,966	236,813	634,779	214,905	118,416	333,321	.52
1892	404,309	237,715	642,024	220,966	119,815	340,781	.53
1893	410,652	238,617	649,269	227,027	121,214	348,241	.53
1894	416,995	239,519	656,514	233,088	122,613	355,701	.54
1895	423,338	240,421	663,759	239,149	124,012	363,161	.55

V. Rural and City School Population—*Continued.*

Year.	White School Population.	Colored School Population.	Total.	White Enrollment.	Colored Enrollment.	Total Enrollment.	Percentage of Population Enrolled.
1896	429,681	241,323	671,004	245,210	125,411	370,621	.55
1897	436,024	242,225	678,249	251,271	126,810	378,081	.56
1898	442,367	243,127	685,494	257,332	128,209	385,541	.56
1899	448,710	244,029	692,739	263,393	129,606	392,999	.56
1900	455,060	244,936	699,996	278,447	131,005	409,452	.58
1901	461,403	245,838	707,241	293,332	135,228	428,560	.61
1902	467,746	246,740	714,486	311,217	138,452	449,669	.63
1903	474,089	247,642	721,731	315,623	142,036	457,659	.63
1904	480,432	248,544	728,976	320,599	146,899	467,498	.64
1905	486,775	249,446	736,221	325,290	148,821	474,111	.65
1906	493,119	250,349	743,468	330,780	152,400	483,180	.68

The population figures in the above table for 1870, 1880, 1890, and 1900 are taken from the United States Census. The figures for the intervening years are estimates, based on the figures for the census years. The population figures from 1900 to 1906 are also estimates, based on the increase in school population from 1890 to 1900.

The enrollment figures for 1870, 1880, and 1890 are those of the Census of the United States. The enrollment figures for the intervening years are estimates, based on the figures of the census years. The enrollment figures from 1890 to 1900 are estimates based on the State reports and those of the United States Commissioner of Education, while the figures for 1900-1906 are those of the State reports of the Superintendent of Public Instruction, corrected as far as possible by supplying omissions and eliminating duplicates.

VI. INCREASE IN SCHOOL POPULATION 1870-1906.

The following table shows the increase in school population 1870-1906:

	1870.	1880.	1890.	1900.	1906.
Total population	1,071,361	1,399,750	1,617,947	1,893,810	2,088,115
White	687,470	867,242	1,055,382	1,263,603	1,392,773
Colored	392,891	532,508	562,565	630,207	695,342
Population, 6 to 21	384,618	502,507	627,534	699,996	743,468
White	243,463	298,687	391,623	455,060	493,119
Colored	141,155	203,820	235,911	244,936	250,349
Percentage of total population of school age.	35.9	35.9	38.7	36.9	35.6
Percentage white population of school age.	35.9	34.5	37.1	36.0	35.4
Percentage colored population of school age.	35.9	38.3	41.9	38.9	36.0

Total increase in school population, 1870-1880	117,889
White	55,224
Colored	62,665
Total increase in school population, 1880-1890	125,027
White	92,936
Colored	32,091
Total increase in school population, 1890-1900	72,462
White	63,437
Colored	9,025
Total increase in school population, 1900-1906	43,472
White	38,059
Colored	5,413

CHILDREN OF SCHOOL AGE 1900. (CENSUS OF U. S. 1900).

White and Colored.				White.			Colored.		
Age.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.
6 years	28,305	27,865	56,170	18,543	17,942	36,485	9,762	9,923	19,685
7 years	26,666	25,758	52,424	17,517	16,637	34,154	9,149	9,121	18,270
8 years	26,580	25,749	52,329	17,422	16,762	34,184	9,158	8,987	18,145
9 years	24,561	23,750	48,311	16,397	15,782	32,179	8,164	7,968	16,132
10 years	25,988	25,148	51,136	16,978	16,291	33,269	9,010	8,857	17,867
11 years	23,347	22,428	45,775	15,995	15,086	31,081	7,352	7,342	14,694
12 years	24,672	23,801	48,473	15,660	15,054	30,714	9,012	8,747	17,759
13 years	23,024	22,552	45,576	15,164	14,499	29,663	7,860	8,053	15,913
14 years	22,405	21,960	44,365	14,521	14,047	28,568	7,884	7,913	15,797
15 years	22,053	22,015	44,068	14,501	14,122	28,623	7,552	7,893	15,445
16 years	22,401	22,788	45,189	14,756	14,485	29,241	7,645	8,303	15,948
17 years	21,208	20,877	42,085	13,925	13,491	27,416	7,283	7,386	14,669
18 years	22,028	22,965	44,993	14,108	14,428	28,536	7,920	8,537	16,457
19 years	17,875	19,687	37,562	11,874	12,829	24,703	6,001	6,858	12,859
20 years	19,152	22,088	41,240	12,663	13,581	26,244	6,489	8,507	14,996
Total	350,265	349,431	699,696	230,024	225,036	455,060	120,241	124,395	244,636
6–16 inclusive	270,002	263,814	533,816	177,454	170,707	348,161	92,548	93,107	185,655
16–20 inclusive	80,263	85,617	165,880	52,570	54,329	106,899	27,693	31,288	58,981

TABLE VII. SCHOOL POPULATION AND ENROLLMENT 1870-1906. (STATE REPORTS).

Year.	White School Population.	Colored School Population.	Total School Population.	White Enrollment.	Colored Enrollment.	Total Enrollment.
1870	229,033	113,135	342,168	32,869	16,434	49,303
1880	291,770	167,554	459,325	164,481	107,397	271,878
1890	370,144	216,524	586,668	205,844	116,689	322,533
1895	403,812	217,437	621,249	245,413	128,150	373,563
1900	439,431	218,518	657,949	278,447	131,005	409,452
1901	448,304	219,677	667,981	293,332	135,228	428,560
1902	453,807	220,408	674,215	311,217	138,452	449,669
1903	457,654	221,301	678,955	315,623	142,036	457,659
1904	463,513	221,545	685,058	320,599	146,899	467,498
1905	469,646	226,976	696,622	325,290	148,821	474,111
1906	475,477	231,051	706,528	330,780	152,400	483,180

According to the above table, after supplying all apparent inaccuracies in our State reports, it will be seen that the school population of 1870 is *42,450 less than that given in the preceding table*, which is taken from the United States Census of 1870. The school population in 1880 as given above is *43,182*

less than the United States Census for 1880, while the school population for 1890 is *30,415 more than the United States Census gives it* and the school population of 1900 is *42,047 less than the United States Census of 1900.* It will be seen also that the school population of the years succeeding 1900 is much too small, if the United States Census figures for 1900 are correct and if our school population since 1900 has increased as fast as it did during the years between 1890 and 1900. It will also be observed that the school enrollment given in the above table is the same as that of the preceding table except for the years 1870, 1880, and 1890. The State reports for those years are inaccurate and include duplicate enrollments and omissions. The figures given have been corrected as far as it is now possible to correct them. The figures in Table V are much more reliable than those given in the above table, which are included in this study to show the approximate errors of our Educational Reports 1870-1904.

VIII. AVERAGE DAILY ATTENDANCE 1870-1906.

Year.	White Average Daily Attendance.	Colored Average Daily Attendance.	Total Average Daily Attendance.	Per Cent. Enrollment in Daily Attendance, White.	Per Cent. Enrollment in Daily Attendance, Colored.	Per Cent. Enrollment in Daily Attendance, all Schools.
1870						
1880	114,972	65,790	179,762	.71	.69	.70
1890	132,108	72,500	204,608	.63	.61	.62
1895	153,846	75,900	229,746	.64	.61	.63
1900	159,620	77,300	236,920	.57	.59	.58
1901	166,500	78,700	245,200	.59	.58	.59
1902	174,552	80,100	254,652	.59	.58	.59
1903	182,500	81,500	264,000	.58	.57	.58
1904	189,600	82,900	272,500	.59	.56	.58
1905	196,898	83,390	280,288	.60	.57	.59
1906	205,517	87,529	293,046	.62	.58	.61

The figures in the above table 1870-1904 are estimates, based on the State reports, which are very inaccurate. The figures for these years are probably much too large, especially for the years 1880, 1890, and 1895. The figures for 1905 and 1906 are approximately correct.

C. HOUSES, DISTRICTS, SCHOOLS, TERM, TEACHERS.

IX. SCHOOL-HOUSES AND VALUE 1870-1906.

RURAL.

Year.	White School Houses.	Colored School Houses.	Total School Houses.	Value White School Property.	Value Colored School Property.	Total Value of School Property.
1870	1,200	600	1,800	$	$	$
1880	3,325	1,257	4,425	161,169	66,235	227,404
1890	4,057	1,860	5,917	612,304	180,000	792,304
1895	4,524	2,169	6,693	800,000	220,000	1,020,000
1900	4,898	2,200	7,098	850,250	265,000	1,115,250
1901	5,049	2,265	7,314	880,000	266,000	1,146,000
1902	5,028	2,236	7,264	950,000	268,000	1,218,000
1903	5,000	2,188	7,188	1,025,000	270,000	1,295,000
1904	4,999	2,202	7,201	1,168,000	271,000	1,439,000
1905	5,011	2,198	7,209	1,390,977	273,368	1,664,345
1906	5,053	2,201	7,254	1,610,095	299,859	1,909,954
CITY.						
1880	3	1	4	16,500	500	17,000
1890	12	10	22	210,000	42,300	252,300
1895	18	14	32	285,000	65,000	350,000
1900	40	28	68	485,000	95,000	580,000
1905	104	63	167	1,321,135	197,438	1,518,573
1906	122	71	193	1,589,500	225,600	1,815,100

In 1880 the total value of all public school property in North Carolina was $244,404; in 1906 it was $3,725,054. During the past six years the rural school property has increased $794,704 and the city school property $1,235,100, a total gain of $2,029,804 in school property for six years.

X. RURAL SCHOOL DISTRICTS AND SCHOOLS 1870-1906.

Year.	White School Districts.	Colored School Districts.	Total Districts.	White Schools.	Colored Schools.	Total Schools.
1870						
1880	4,347	2,045	6,392	4,139	2,097	6,236
1890	5,013	2,374	7,387	4,508	2,327	6,835
1895	5,288	2,502	7,790	4,872	2,438	7,310
1900	5,440	2,488	7,928	5,082	2,384	7,466
1901	5,483	2,559	8,042	5,461	2,418	7,879
1902	5,653	2,441	8,094	5,491	2,376	7,867
1903	5,370	2,346	7,716	5,448	2,369	7,817
1904	5,336	2,338	7,674	5,433	2,358	7,791
1905	5,412	2,342	7,754	5,294	2,284	7,578
1906	5,338	2,318	7,656	5,248	2,240	7,488
26 years' increase.	991	273	1,264	1,109	143	1,252

The above table shows an increase of 991 white school districts since 1880 and an increase of 273 colored school districts during the same period, a total of 1,264 school districts. There has also been an increase of 1,252 rural schools, 1,109 white and 143 colored. Since 1902 it will be observed that there has been a slight decrease in the number of rural districts and schools.

XI. LENGTH OF SCHOOL TERM IN DAYS 1870-1906.

Year.	White.			Colored.		
	Average Term Rural Schools.	Average Term City Schools.	Average Term in all Schools.	Average Term Rural Schools.	Average Term City Schools.	Average Term in all Schools.
1870						
1880	48	170	50	48	160	49
1890	57	170	67	57	160	65
1895	61	170	70	60	160	70
1900	73	170	82	67	160	77
1901	76	170	86	69	160	79
1902	80	170	90	73	164	83
1903	82	170	91	76	165	86
1904	84	170	93	79	167	89
1905	85	171	94	81	168	91
1906	86	171	96	82	167	92

The above figures are not those given in the State reports. The figures in those reports are sometimes too large and sometimes too small. The method used by these reports to ascertain the average term for the State takes only an average of the average term as reported by each county. This method

makes a small county, like Dare, with less than 30 teachers, count as much as a large county like Wilkes with more than a hundred teachers. This method also counted a city school as *one* without regard to the number of teachers. If the proper method to obtain the average term is employed, the figures will approximate those of the above table.

XII. NUMBER OF PUBLIC SCHOOL TEACHERS 1870-1906.

Year.	White.			Colored.			Total White and Colored.
	No. Rural Teachers.	No. City Teachers.	Total.	No. Rural Teachers.	No. City Teachers.	Total.	
1870	1,100	----------	1,100	490	----------	490	1,590
1880	4,200	18	4,218	2,100	17	2,117	6,335
1890	4,541	125	4,665	2,225	70	2,295	6,960
1895	5,072	168	5,240	2,300	90	2,390	7,630
1900	5,390	363	5,753	2,400	167	2,567	8,320
1901	5,570	480	6,050	2,401	212	2,613	8,663
1902	5,750	492	6,242	2,405	220	2,625	8,867
1903	5,920	510	6,430	2,407	225	2,632	9,062
1904	6,130	690	6,820	2,409	250	2,659	9,479
1905	6,260	745	7,005	2,413	269	2,682	9,687
1906	6,316	870	7,186	2,367	318	2,685	9,871

The figures for 1905 and 1906 are accurate. Before 1905 the State reports did not give the number of teachers. The number for the other years are based partly on the United States Census of 1890 and partly on data obtained from the newspapers of the several years. The figures for 1870-1904 are, therefore, only approximately correct.

D. GROWTH OF CITY SCHOOLS AND RURAL LIBRARIES, STATISTICS OF STATE AID TO EDUCATION AND EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS 1870-1906.

XIII. GROWTH OF TOWN AND CITY SCHOOLS.

The following table shows the growth of the town and city school system of North Carolina, the date when the schools were established by voting a local tax or the town government decided to support the schools being given:

1875	Greensboro	1
1877	Raleigh	2
1880	Salisbury	3
1881	Goldsboro	4
1882	Durham, Charlotte, Wilmington	7
1885	Winston	8
1887	Reidsville, Asheville	10
1891	Concord, Statesville, Shelby, Tarboro, Wilson, Murphy	16
1897	High Point, Washington	18
1899	New Bern, Waynesville, Selma, Kinston, Albemarle, Mount Airy, Gastonia, Marion, Cherryville.	27
1901	Burlington, Lexington, Thomasville, Guilford College, Enfield, Sanford, Rockingham, Rocky Mount, Pilot Mountain, Wesley, Monroe, Swan Quarter, Westfield, Henderson, Mount Olive.	42
1903	Graham, Morganton, Lenoir, Pelham, Hickory, Edenton, Fayetteville, Oxford, Scotland Neck, LaGrange, Williamston, Roxboro, Greenville, Hamlet, Maxton, Roper, Granite, Hope Mills, Hendersonville, Ashboro, Plymouth, Wilkesboro.	64
1905	Smithfield, Haw River, Aulander, Franklinton, Louisburg, Ruffin, Youngsville, Rhodiss, Weldon, Troy, Randleman, Clinton, North Wilkesboro, Lucama.	78

XIV. RURAL LIBRARIES 1900-1906.

Date.	Number of Libraries.	Number of Supplementary Libraries.	Volumes in Libraries.	Number of Children in Districts Having Libraries.	Total Expenditures for Libraries.
From December 1, 1900, to November 30, 1902.	472	----------	39,648	39,176	$ 14,160
From December 1, 1902, to November 30, 1904.	434	----------	36,456	38,192	13,020
From December 1, 1904, to November 30, 1906.	399	----------	33,516	37,207	11,970
From December 1, 1902, to November 30, 1906.	----------	230	8,280	----------	3,450
Total	1,305	230	117,900	114,575	42,600

The Rural School Library Law was passed by the Legislature of 1901, and the law establishing supplementary libraries was passed in 1903.

XV. STATE AID TO PUBLIC EDUCATION AND EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS 1870-1906.

Name and Date.	Support.*	Improvements.*	Total.*	Authority for Appropriation and Nature of Improvements.
1870 and 1871.				
Deaf, Dumb and Blind Institution	$ 80,000	$ 6,000	$ 86,000	Steam heat, drainage, fire protection; Chapter 15, Laws 1869-70, and Chapter 138, Laws 1870-71.
Total	80,000	6,000	86,000	
1872 and 1873.				
Deaf, Dumb and Blind Institution	100,000	10,000	110,000	Repairs at white institution, $5,000; colored building, $5,000; lot donated colored school by State; Chapter 98, Laws 1871-72, and Chapters 59, 124 and 135, Laws 1872-73.
Total	100,000	10,000	110,000	
1874, 1875 and 1876.				
Deaf, Dumb and Blind Institution	125,000	9,500	134,500	Repairs on white building, $3,000; colored building, $6,500; lot donated colored school by State; Chapter 59, Laws 1873-74, Chapter 104, Laws 1874-75.
University North Carolina	----------	----------	----------	Chapters 236 and 252, Laws 1874-75; donation of land scrip fund and unclaimed dividends declared by corporations, etc.
Total	125,000	9,500	134,500	
1877 and 1878.				
Deaf, Dumb and Blind Institution	85,000	----------	85,000	Laws 1877, Chapters 156 and 273.
University Normal School	4,000	----------	4,000	Laws 1877, Chapter 234.
Colored Normal Schools	4,000	----------	4,000	Laws 1877, Chapter 234.
Total	93,000	----------	93,000	
1879 and 1880.				
Deaf, Dumb and Blind Institution	65,000	----------	65,000	Chapters 70 and 187, Laws 1879.
University Normal School	4,000	----------	4,000	Chapter 234, Laws 1877.
Colored Normal Schools	4,000	----------	4,000	Chapter 234, Laws 1877.
Total	73,000	----------	73,000	
1881 and 1882.				
Deaf, Dumb and Blind Institution	68,000	----------	68,000	Chapters 96 and 211. Laws 1881.
University Normal School	4,000	----------	4,000	Chapter 141, Laws 1881.
University of North Carolina	10,000	----------	10,000	Chapter 141, Laws 1881.
Colored Normal Schools	8,000	----------	8,000	Chapter 141, Laws 1881.
White Normals	4,000	----------	4,000	Chapter 141, Laws 1881.
Total	94,000	----------	94,000	
1883 and 1884.				
Deaf, Dumb and Blind Institution	72,000	5,000	77,000	Chapter 228, Laws 1883; repairs on white and colored buildings.
University Normal School	4,000	----------	4,000	Chapter 141, Laws 1881.
University of North Carolina	10,000	----------	10,000	Chapter 141, Laws 1881.
Colored Normal Schools	8,000	----------	8,000	Chapter 141, Laws 1881.
White Normals	4,000	----------	4,000	Chapter 141, Laws 1881.
Total	98,000	5,000	103,000	

* These figures are all for two years, except 1874-76, which are for three years.

XV. State Aid to Public Education—*Continued.*

Name and Date.	Support.*	Improvements.*	Total.*	Authority for Appropriation and Nature of Improvements.
1885 and 1886.				
Deaf, Dumb and Blind Institution	$ 72,000	$ 5,000	$ 77,000	Chapter 186, Laws 1885; repairs on white and colored buildings.
University of North Carolina	40,000	----------	40,000	Chapter 143, Laws 1885.
Colored Normal Schools	8,000	----------	8,000	Chapter 141, Laws 1881.
White Normals	8,000	----------	8,000	Chapter 143, Laws 1885.
A. and M. College (white)	----------	----------	----------	Chapter 308, Laws 1885, authorizes State Board of Agriculture to aid establishment of Industrial School.
Total	128,000	5,000	133,000	
1887 and 1888.				
Deaf, Dumb and Blind Institution	74,000	----------	74,000	Chapter 186, Laws 1887.
University of North Carolina	40,000	----------	40,000	Chapter 143, Laws 1885 and Chapter 141, Laws 1881.
Colored Normal Schools	17,000	----------	17,000	Chapters 400 and 408, Laws 1887, and former laws.
White Normals	8,000	----------	8,000	Chapter 143, Laws 1885.
A. and M. College (white)	----------	----------	----------	Chapter 410, Laws 1887, transfers Land Scrip Fund to Industrial School.
Total	139,000	----------	139,000	
1889 and 1890.				
Deaf, Dumb and Blind Institution	80,000	----------	80,000	Chapter 327, Laws 1889.
University of North Carolina	40,000	----------	40,000	Chapter 143, Laws 1885, and Chapter 141, Laws 1881.
Colored Normal Schools	17,000	----------	17,000	Chapters 400 and 408, Laws 1887, and former laws.
White Institutes	8,000	----------	8,000	Chapter 200, Laws 1889.
A. and M. College (white)	----------	----------	----------	See former laws.
Total	145,000	----------	145,000	
1891 and 1892.				
Deaf, Dumb and Blind Institution	80,000	1,000	81,000	Chapters 230 and 469, Laws 1891; repairs and refurnishing buildings.
University of North Carolina	40,000	5,000	45,000	Chapter 402, Laws 1891, and former laws; repairs on buildings.
Colored Normal Schools	17,000	----------	17,000	Cited above.
White Institutes	4,000	----------	4,000	Cited above.
A. and M. College (white)	----------	20,000	20,000	Chapter 348, Laws 1891; buildings and land.
A. and M. College (colored)	5,000	----------	5,000	Chapter 549, Laws 1891.
State Normal and Industrial College	10,000	----------	10,000	Chapter 139, Laws 1891.
Deaf and Dumb School, Morganton	----------	20,000	20,000	Chapter 399, Laws 1891; buildings.
Total	156,000	46,000	202,000	
1893 and 1894.				
Deaf, Dumb and Blind Institution	80,000	10,000	90,000	Chapter 224, Laws 1893.
University of North Carolina	40,000	20,000	60,000	Chapter 181, Laws 1893, and former laws; repairs and water-works.
Colored Normal Schools	17,000	----------	17,000	Cited above.

* These figures are all for two years, except 1874-76, which are for three years.

XV. State Aid to Public Education—*Continued.*

Name and Date.	Support.*	Improvements.*	Total.*	Authority for Appropriation and Nature of Improvements.
A. and M. College (white)	$ 20,000	$--------	$ 20,000	Chapter 378, Laws 1893.
A. and M. College (colored)	5,000	10,000	15,000	Cited above, also Chapter 252, Laws 1893; buildings.
State Normal and Industrial College	25,000	9,000	34,000	Cited above, also Chapter 182, Laws 1893; debts.
Deaf and Dumb School, Morganton	----------	70,000	70,000	Chapter 203, Laws 1893; buildings, etc.
Cullowhee Normal School	3,000	----------	3,000	Chapter 120, Private Laws 1893.
Total	190,000	119,000	309,000	
1895 and 1896.				
Deaf, Dumb and Blind Institution	80,000	9,000	89,000	Chapter 219, Laws 1895, and former laws; $2,000 for repairs on chapel of white school and $7,000 for colored buildings.
University of North Carolina	40,000	----------	40,000	Cited above.
Colored Normal Schools	21,000	----------	21,000	Chapters 393 and 457, Laws 1895.
A. and M. College (white)	20,000	----------	20,000	Chapter 145, Laws 1895.
A. and M. College (colored)	10,000	----------	10,000	Chapter 146, Laws 1895.
State Normal and Industrial College	25,000	10,000	35,000	Chapter 220, Laws 1895; infirmary and additions to dining-room, etc.
Deaf and Dumb School, Morganton	70,000	22,350	92,350	Chapter 175, Laws 1895; debts and industrial equipment.
Cullowhee Normal School	3,000	----------	3,000	Cited above.
Total	269,000	41,350	310,350	
1897 and 1898.				
Deaf, Dumb and Blind Institution	80,000	57,500	137,500	Chapters 152 and 207, Laws 1897, etc.; dormitory white, and new building for colored schools.
University of North Carolina	50,000	----------	50,000	Chapter 171, Laws 1897, and former laws.
Colored Normal Schools	29,000	----------	29,000	Chapter 443, Laws 1897, and former laws.
A. and M. College (white)	20,000	5,000	25,000	Chapter 535, Laws 1897, and former laws; hospital and new boiler.
A. and M. College (colored)	10,000	----------	10,000	Chapter 486, Laws 1897.
State Normal and Industrial College	50,000	----------	50,000	Chapter 165, Laws 1897, and former laws.
Deaf and Dumb School, Morganton	70,000	20,000	90,000	Chapter 197, Laws 1897, and former laws; school building.
Cullowhee Normal School	3,000	----------	3,000	Cited above.
Total	312,000	82,500	394,500	
1899 and 1900.				
Deaf, Dumb and Blind Institution	105,000	30,000	135,000	Chapter 664, Laws 1899; light, boilers, dormitory for white school; dormitory and heat for colored school.
University of North Carolina	50,000	7,500	57,500	Cited above and Chapter 610, Laws 1899; water-works.
Colored Normal Schools	29,000	----------	29,000	Cited above.
A. and M. College (white)	20,000	----------	20,000	Cited above.

* These figures are all for two years, except 1874-76, which are for three years.

Name and Date.	Support.*	Improvements.*	Total.*	Authority for Appropriation and Nature of Improvements.
A. and M. College (colored)	$ 10,000	$	$ 10,000	Cited above.
State Normal and Industrial College	50,000	5,000	55,000	Chapter 509, Laws 1899, etc.; library and gymnasium.
Deaf and Dumb School, Morganton	80,000	7,000	87,000	Chapter 677, Laws 1899; heat, light, cold-storage, additions to industrial department.
Cullowhee Normal School	3,000		3,000	Cited above.
Public Schools	200,000		200,000	Chapter 637, Laws 1899.
Total	547,000	49,500	596,500	
1901 and 1902.				
Deaf, Dumb and Blind Institution	110,000	20,000	30,000	Chapter 737, Laws 1901; wells, gymnasium, deficit.
University of North Carolina	75,000		75,000	Chapter 737, Laws 1901.
Colored Normal Schools	29,000		29,000	Cited above.
A. and M. College (white)	20,000	30,522	50,522	Chapter 737, Laws 1901; textile building and debt.
A. and M. College (colored)	10,000	10,000	20,000	Chapter 737, Laws 1901; repairs, etc.
State Normal and Industrial College	50,000	55,000	105,000	Chapter 737, Laws 1901; debt, practice school, etc.
Deaf and Dumb School, Morganton	80,000	7,000	87,000	Chapter 737, Laws 1901; waterworks and fire protection.
Cullowhee Normal School	3,000	5,000	8,000	Chapter 737, Laws 1901; buildings.
Public Schools	395,000		395,000	Chapter 543, Laws 1901.
Rural Libraries	5,000		5,000	Chapter 662, Laws 1901.
Total	777,000	127,522	904,522	
1903 and 1904.				
Deaf, Dumb and Blind Institution	120,000	10,050	130,050	Chapter 402, Laws 1903; deficit, etc.
University of North Carolina	75,000	7,500	82,500	Chapter 402, Laws 1905; waterworks, physics department.
Colored Normal Schools	29,000		29,000	Cited above.
A. and M. College (white)	20,000	68,786	88,786	Chapter 402, Laws 1905; replacing burned buildings, debts, etc.
A. and M. College (colored)	15,000		15,000	Chapter 402, Laws 1905.
State Normal College	80,000	38,000	118,000	Chapter 402, Laws 1903, and Chapter 737, Laws 1901; repairs and practice school.
Deaf and Dumb School, Morganton	85,000	5,000	90,000	Chapter 402, Laws 1903; deficit, etc.
Cullowhee Normal School	4,000	2,000	6,000	Chapter 402, Laws 1903; buildings.
Public Schools	392,500		392,500	Chapter 543, Laws 1901, and Chapter 751, Laws 1903.
Rural Libraries	7,500		7,500	Chapter 226, Laws 1903.
Appalachian Training School	4,000	1,500	5,500	Chapter 798, Laws 1903; buildings.
Total	832,000	132,836	964,836	
1905 and 1906.				
Deaf, Dumb and Blind Institution	120,000	15,050	135,050	Chapter 515, Laws 1905; hospitals, cold storage, repairs, etc.
University of North Carolina	90,000	50,000	140,000	Chapter 515, Laws 1905; chemical laboratory.
Colored Normal Schools	29,000		29,000	Cited above.

* These figures are all for two years, except 1874-76, which are for three years.

XV. STATE AID TO PUBLIC EDUCATION—*Continued.*

Name and Date.	Support.*	Improvements.*	Total.*	Authority for Appropriation and Nature of Improvements.
A. and M. College (white)	$ 50,000	$ 5,000	$ 55,000	Chapter 515, Laws 1905; textile machinery.
A. and M. College (colored)	15,000	7,500	22,500	Chapter 515, Laws 1905; dormitory.
State Normal and Industrial College	80,000	112,000	192,000	Chapter 515, Laws 1905; laundry, heating, burned building replaced.
Deaf and Dumb School, Morganton	85,000	5,000	90,000	Chapter 515, Laws 1905; roads, laundry machinery, etc.
Cullowhee Normal School	6,000	3,500	9,500	Chapter 515, Laws 1905; furniture and heating.
Public Schools	392,500	----------	392,500	Cited above.
Rural Libraries	7,500	----------	7,500	Cited above.
Appalachian Training School	4,000	4,000	8,000	Chapter 515, Laws 1905; buildings.
Total	879,000	202,050	1,081,050	

* These figures are all for two years, except 1874-76, which are for three years.

SUMMARY OF STATE AID TO EDUCATION 1870-1906.

1870-71	$ 86,000
1872-73	110,000
1874-76	134,500*
1877-78	93,000
1879-80	73,000
1881-82	94,000
1883-84	103,000
1885-86	133,000
1887-88	139,000
1889-90	145,000
1891-92	202,000
1893-94	309,000
1895-96	310,350
1897-98	394,500
1899-1900	596,500
1901-02	904,522
1903-04	964,836
1905-06	1,081,050†

* Three years.

† By dividing the figures in this column by two, the amount paid out of the State Treasury each year will be ascertained. No sums paid to the University or to the A. and M. Colleges on account of appropriations from U. S. Government or any sums appropriated by the North Carolina Agricultural Department to any of these schools is included in this table. For the two years, 1907-08, the sum of $1,391,100 has been appropriated for education.

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